1	2	3	4	5
21.	Nav Bharat	935544·00	586518·00	132406·00
22.	Harrveli		97768·00	94440·00
23.	Goinka		141617·00	75121·00
24.	Kamdhenu	20501·00	149832·00	76985·00
25.	Subhash		179876·00	
26.	Chambal Ghati		130364·00	
27.	New Kishan		96246·00	
28.	Hindustan		98513·00	
29.	Rattan	1444694·00	1031124·00	163587·00
30.	Adarsh	938358·00	694852·00	110940·00
31.	Garhi Mandu	1096070·00	831207·00	147630·00
32.	Paras	994731·00	923057·00	112018·00
33.	Mansrover	1379606·00	844395·00	
34.	Khira	597597·00		
	Total :	18652941·00	1647879·00	3726022·00

Drought in the country

890. DR. Z. A. AHMAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain areas in the country were badly affected by drought this year; and

(b) if so, the details of the areas affected and the loss incurred thereby?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) During the current year the States of Kerala, Karnataka, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur and Rajasthan have reported drought conditions in varying degrees on account of insufficient rains during South-West monsoon of 1991, North-East monsoon of 1991 and the winter rains in 1992.

(b) According to reports received from the State Governments, crop areas to the extent of 8.12 lakh hectares in Karnataka, 1.12 lakh hectares in Kerala, 27.42 lakh hectares in Madhya Pradesh, 58.6 lakh hectares in Maharashtra and 77.33 lakh hectares in Rajasthan have been affected. The Government of Gujarat has reported an estimated loss of 10.42 lakh MT in the production of khariff foodgrains, 11.71 lakh MT khariff oil seeds and 7.37 lakh MT of Cotton. Government of Manipur has estimated a crop damage of Rs. 148.00 crores.

गेहूं का आयात

891. **चौधरी हरि सिंह :** क्या खाद्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) कनाडा के आने वाले गेहूं की पहली खेप भारत कब पहुंचेगी ;

(ख) कनाडा से आयात किए जा रहे गेहूं को देश के किन-किन हिस्सों में भेजा जाएगा ; और

(ग) क्या इस गेहूं को प्राप्त करने के लिए भारत सरकार और कनाडा सरकार के बीच कतिपय शर्तों पर सहमति हुई थी ?

नागरिक पूर्ति और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) : (क) आशा है कि कनाडा से गेहूं की पहली खेप भारत में अगस्त, 1992 में पहुंच जाएगी ।

(ख) भारतीय खाद्य निगम ने पश्चिमी, पूर्वी और दक्षिणी जोनों में आयातित गेहूं को हेंडल करने की एक अनन्तिम योजना बनाई है ।

(ग) ठेके की सामान्य शर्तों के अलावा, किन्हीं विशेष शर्तों के बारे में कोई सहमति नहीं हुई थी ।

Export of Sugar

892. SHRI PRABHAKAR B. KORE: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government is actively considering the proposal to entrust the export of sugar to more than one agency;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the price of sugar in the current year; and

(c) if so, what would be the share of producers out of this increase?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Government have notified the State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. and the Indian Sugar and General Industry Export Import Corporation Ltd. (ISGIEIC) as the export agencies under the provisions of the Sugar Export Promotion Act, 1958. STC is handling export levy sugar to Nepal etc., while ISGI EIC is undertaking commercial exports to general currency area and preferential quota exports to EEC/USA.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration to revise the zonal ex-factory prices of levy sugar notified for sugar season 1991-92.

(c) Does not arise.

Export of Sugar by Andhra Pradesh

893. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Andhra Pradesh have sought permission to export 7.5 lakh tonnes of sugar produced in the co-operative sector in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) whether Government have agreed to the proposal; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c) A reference was received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh requesting that Nizam Sugar Factory Ltd. be permitted to act as a separate agency for export of sugar. It was also suggested that this agency could collect sugar from other cooperative sugar factories for export. Export of sugar is being regulated under the proisivons of the Sugar Export Promotion Act, 1958 and the Government of India has nominated only two organisations under the provisions of the said Act as export agencies, i.e. State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. and Indian Sugar and General Industry Export and Import Corporation Ltd. In view of this, it was not possible to agree to the proposal of the State Government.

Improvement in Public Distribution System

894. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state: